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The Decade's Marvellous Advance in Prosperity.

The Tradesman's Admirable Compilation -Every Field of Industry Covered-Industries Increase By Thousands, Population By Millions and Wealth by Billions.

CHATTANOOGA, Jan. 1 .- [Special]-The Tradesman has compiled elaborate statistics showing the growth and development of the Southern States in the past ten years. The figures are based upon census returns and reports sent to the Tradesman by the officials of each Southern State. The summary of the facts contained is given in the subjoined table, and gives a graphic picture of the marvellous growth of the Southern States in population, wealth, capital, railroads, manufactories, agriculture and education since the consus of 1880 was taken. The totals, as footed by the Tradesman, are as follows:

	1890.	1850.	Increese
Population— Totals	17,556,930 11,561,996 6,194,934	14,038,900 9,007,187 5,034,740	
Northern immi- grants, 10 years Foreign immi- grants, 10 years Rorthern born Foreign born	297,000 078,019 416,005 680,123	Not known No known 10,885 120,871	
Assessed wealth	1,780,361 0,911, 0.7,461 0.7 (1,815,63	1000 100	The second second
Assessed wealth per capita	219.66	147.38	
Binte do its net County debts, net Municip i debts, net	90,160,120	116,195,256 24,111,15 47,639,056	
Annual inter-st	16, 15,015	14,00 1,35 1	
State tax per 31,000. Total taxation per \$1,000. Total State ray, nues	Dis-790	4,60 15,46 18,110,866	-
Capital — Banking capital	171,690,670 2,934,470,000	92,515,000 Notknown	
Mon cap oyel	\$1,118 188,749 4,000	EN,0000	1
Cars, passenger Cars, freight Capital stock Bonde I delat	5,121 104,70 765,964,254 745,000,00		
Street railroa I mile- age. Other railron I mile-	1,301,190,740	642,020,020	i
Total ration I mile-	4,200		
Manufactures - Number of estab- lishments -	46,400	91,917	1
Capital Employes, Value of project Water power, h. p Cotton mills	\$51,153,35A	170,000,000 815,405 815,405,760	Salame Ca
Cooms	40.41	512,035 11,855	15.00
Bales cotton used Value of products Cotton seed crushed Cotton seed pro- ducts, value	51,191,07	180,071 16,353,18: 240,08	121217
duets, value Minorals— Pig produce !, tons Furnaces		7,080,021	1
Coat produced, tons Value	17,53 ,44	4,3 ± 3,800,556	
Precious metals, value? Total minerals, value	712,780 35,608,615		
Acres in forest Pine tunking, 1,000	100,832,000		
Sawing capacity of	229,007,000 47,655,250		
Value of total for-	102,122,100	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY	1
Agriculture— Arable land, acres. Public land.	123,998,800 1898,180,000 51,273,148	46,979,002	
during decade Farms Improve t lands	15,329,600 2,426,000 125,562,600	1,551,667	10.
Val. of machinery Ay. monthly waves farm labor	120,750,000	56,676,145 67,872,500 13,85	- 1
Value co ton forde-	15,82 7,57 5,215 340,568,665 8,091,030,833	258,521,011	
Tobacco, poun is Value Hay, tons Value	8,091,030,833 330,981,510 31,378,624 1,765,874 21,069,80 1,356,00 516,00		
Hay, tons. Value. Corn, bbis. Sugar, bbis. Molass s, bbis. Potatocs, value. Rice, value. Fruit. ca. i.			
Total value of all	14,262,60 5,438,96 24,620,69	9,081,173	ï
Total value of crops	9,540,357,68 49,962,45i	611,679,145	
Total value all pro-	555,965,138 1,931,930,815	360,010,883	*
Schools	66,617 74,055	44,200 49,180	1
Pup ls carolle l Attendances School revenues	5,891,101- 3,359,173 2,118,109 14,767,396	4,423,600 2,018,610 1,391,743 5,607,081	i i
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The Bethany Sunday-School.

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The annual supper by the officers and teachers of Bethany Sunday-school, in East Roanoke, to the pupils of the school, was given last evening at the chape'. An elegant repast was served and the children were treated to confections. Superintendent Pillsbury was presented with a handsome walnut hat tack, trimmed in brans, with Freech. presenced with a handsome walnut hat rack, trimmed in bruss, with French plate glass and marble slab. Rev. Dr. Campbell, the pastor, was presented with an elegantly bound volume of. "The Quirer," and Miss Maggie Mitch-ell, the organist, was the recipient of a volume of "The Poets." The school volume of "The Poets." The school extends thanks to the friends who made contributions.

Miss Alberta Gallatin will appear at the Opera House on Tuesday, January

Col. Frank A. Small, business manager of Edwin Arden in "Raglan's Way," is in town. He is an old Texas newspaper man, who was in the front rank when Texas journalism meant a gun somewhere handy. The colonel retired, when tired when a more peaceful situation

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ONCE MORE THE SMOKY CITY.

The Supply of Natural Gas Failing--Pitts-burg Has to Return to Coal.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 1 .- Some months ago Pittsburg discarded the name of Smoky City and has been referred to since that time as the Gas City. The change was proper, because the general introduction of natural gas in the mills introduction of natural gas in the mills and factories of the city drove away the smoke which had made littsburg famous. But time has demonstrated that relief from dark clouds and constant showers of soot was only temporary. The natural gas bubble has burst. Pittsburg is again overcast and its citizens will return to the old habit of measuring the city's prosperity by the density of the smoke that ascends from the thousands of tall black stacks that are clustered together like forest trees along the river fronts and in other sections where manufactories are located.

sections where manufactories are located.

Assertions that the supply of natural gas in this locality was failing have been made at intervals ever since the first surprise over the wonderful tales that followed its general introduction as a fuel for manufacturing purposes had abated. Those were promptly and truthfully met with denials—statements that the supply was apparently exhaustless, and insinuations that the reports of failure were circulated by persons jealous of Pittsburg's good fortune, Now the manufacturers have formal notice from the gas companies that they must find another fuel, because the supply is not great enough to justify its continued sale on the wholesale plan; private consumers have notices of increased prices that place the cost of gas so considerably above that of coal as to make it a luxury to be enjoyed only by the wellluxury to be enjoyed only by the well-to-do, and, although the weather is still

wealthy; old manufactories have been enlarged in many cases to double and troble their former size; new establishtreble their former size; new establishments, employing large numbers of menhave aprung up on every hand; eight prosperous towns with an average population or over 5,000 persons to each, have been built within a radius of thirty miles of Pittaburg; and Alleghany has increased from 237,000 to 349,000; Pittsdurg's chief products—iron, steel and glass—by reason of the freedom from sulphur of the new fuel, have obtained a reputation for excellence that has given them great advantage over competitors. All classes within the territory which has come to be known as the natural gas belt have had a season of unnatural gas belt have had a season of un-parallleled prosperity.

Those who invested their money in

Those who invested their money in natural gas stock, and who see what they paid \$50 and more per share for going begging for less than one half that sum, are less cheerful, but they are not making much noise. The fact is that if all the plants of the natural gas companies should be declared worthless to-morrow, comparatively few holders would lose much money actually invested. For the past three years the natural gas business of Pittsburg has been controlled by two concerns—the Philadelphia Company, with a capital stock of \$7.500,000, and the People's Natural Gas Company, with a capital stock of \$1,000,000.

of \$1,050,000.

Thirteen other companies have been organized and begun business since the introduction of natural gas; but with the exception of two that have failed because of mismanagement, all have been absorbed by the Philadelphia and Peoples' companies, and the gross apparent capitalization of these corporations is over \$17,000,000. All intelligent Pittsburgers know that this great capital represents \$6,000,000 of cash accurally invested, and that the balance is ally invested, and that the balance is water. Yet for at least five years dividends ranging from 8 to 12 per cent, per amoun have been paid on the total capitalism.

The stock has been and is held by com-The stock has been and is held by comparatively few persons, and these very generally obtained their holdings on the ground floor principle. Therefore, the dividends paid long ago made good the original luvestments, and the complete failure of gas would cause little real less to those who now control the supply. As matters stand the prospects are that there will be gas enough for a large number of private consumers for are that there will be gas enough for a large number of private consumers for some time. before the supply is entirely exhausted those at the head of the gas companies hope to have perfected processes for manufacturity a fuel gas that can be sold to small consumers at a price low enough to justily its use in preference to coal.

Some persons are sanguine enough to believe the day will come when gas can be manufactured cheaply enough for use in the mills, and that Pittsburg may regain its right to be called the Gas City. These are few, however. The great majority realize that King Coal has resumed his sway never again to be

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To Locate in Roanoke.

William H. Parker, Esq. of South-ampton county, arrived in Roanoke yes-terday, and will locate here perman-ently to practice law. Mr. Parker brings good recommendations from those who know him at his old home and his ability and marits will no doubt and his ability and merits will no doubt bring him the success he deserves.

THE TIMES is the leading paper of the mineral belt of the two Virginias. If you want to keep posted on the developmen section you cannot afford to be WHAT IS SUCCESS?

An Ever Interesting Question Answered in a Sensible Manner. Success is a word frequently upon the lips, but not always used with discrimination. It is often confused with the mere gratification of wishes, or the possession of something in itself desirable; whereas it should be confined to the prosperous results of our own efforts. A youth at school or college gains a prize for the best essay in his class. But if some one clse has written it for him, can we consider him a successful compotitor? A young man craves wealth, and suddenly, by the death of a relative, he finds himself rich; but is this the success that he would have earned had he, by his own industry and energy, gained the much-coveted possession? Another through the interest of his place and position of honor for which he has never fitted himself; he has obtained a seeming success, but is it the true one which talent and power and patient endeavor would have earned? This difference is not one of more words. Success is something which every one wants and hopes for, naturally and rightly, for it is to a great degree the measure of his life—happiness, and his value to the whole world. For this reason, it is of great importance that it be distinctly understood in what it consists, and how it must be secured. If there is a vague notion that it means any and every pleasant thing that we may desire, procured by whatever means are at hand, and with as little personal effort as may be, energy and endeavor will be at a discount. They will only come in as a last resort, when all easier methods have failed; and thus the no-

ilixary to be enjoyed only by the wellto do, and, although the weather is still
moderate, many house-wives are compolled to put wood in their stoves to get
eaough heat for cooking.

Natural gas is not absolutely gene. It
will continue for some years to be used
as a fancy domestic fuel by such persons
as are disposed to pay a good price for a
cean and cheerful lite. But no person
attempts to deny that the day of natural gas as a fact for manufacturing
purposes is past. A few concerns—less
than a dozen—which legated their establissments in the midst of great wells
will kny an abandant supply for some
impered to come. The others are returning to the use of coal or manufacturing
gas as rapidly as possible.

The story of few periods in the history
of any commanty is more lateresting
or remarkable than that of the natural
gas era of Plitsburg and Western Pennsylvania. The existence of natural
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gas era of Plitsburg and thus the nobicst elements of manhood and womanhood will remain comparatively undeveloped. But if, on the other hand,
success is understood to mean achievement through personal exertion of mind or body, then all the valuable attributes
of activity, vigitance, skill, perseverance and power will expand and
strengthen by continual practice.
There are many fortunate men
which as miled from
their brith up, who have enjoyed the
benefits of a good home, of a good educause they depend on these things, and
fail to put forth their powers, and to
exercise their own talents and abilities.
And there are others who are successful
in spite of many privations and misfortunes. With few early advantages of
training or education, with little help
and many discouragements, they yet
work hard and struggle manfully, and
through the activity vigitance, skill, perseverance and power of lexitory to activity, vigitance, skill, perseverance and power will e whatever they undertake. It is indeed always a problem for wisdom and intelligence to solve, how far external advantages continue to be advantageous,

and where kindness ceases to be kind. A recent writer says, with truth: "There is a kind of aid which it is immoral for a friend to give, and equally immoral for another to receive. It is the aid which takes the place of some work we ought to have done, some energy we ought to have put forth, some strength and power of character we ought to have attained." What is thus true of success is in the main also true of defeat; it comes from within rather than from without. Many persons are in the habit of referring all their disappointments to some untoward circumstances. There was a lack of opportunity or advantage; some one else failed to do his part; some unforeseen difficulty arose beyond their power to overcome, or some opposing force came in which no one could counteract; the very "stars in their courses fought against Sisera." But a keener insight into their own nature would usually show them that a deeper cause was at work in their failure than any of these things; that hal they put forth more energy, or exercised more patience, or been more brave and resolute, or had taken more precautions, these disadvantages might have been overcome and these obstacles might have been conquered. Or, perchance, their defeat arose from an ambition too great to correspond with their capacities, and humbler ventures might have proved successful. Whatever it may have been it was probably the result of an internal defect, or error of judgment, or lack of energetic action, and when that is discovered the first step has been taken toward turning past failures into future success. It is not opportunity or friends or fortuitous circumstances that chiefly determine our success; it is the spirit within us, of

WHAT A MAN COSTS.

which Goothe speaks when he says: "Life lies before us as a huge quarry

lies before the architect; he deserves not the name of an architect except

when out of this fortuitous mass he

can combine with the greatest economy

the pattern of which originated in his

and fliness and durability some form

spirit."--Philadelphia Ledger.

Diary of a Householder Who Spent \$40,-000 in Twenty-Six Years.

What does it cost to bring up a fam-A gentleman whose experience will be recognized as having points in common with other householders, has preserved an account of the expense to which he has been in rearing a family of four children. To-lay he entered the following statement in his diary. might be a valuable statistical fact for the census takers:

"To-day I close my diary. Twentysix years ago to-day I undertook to keep an accurate statement of all my earnings and expenses, so that I might know octually how much it costs to I ve in the macried state. Then all was anticipation. I and my young wife counted our resources and our expectations. I received \$15 a week, with a promise of more. I owned a house comfortable enough for frugal young people to begin life in. We were a good diamer. You see I worked on spared house-rent, therefore, and our her teetin's expenses have never included this item. tively easy circumstances. My health | Shore.

has been good and my earnings have been constantly received. I now rebeen constantly received. I now re-ceive \$30 a week and we still own the homestead without any great additions to its wealth, except in an increased amount of furniture. I have little more money than I had when first married. Perhaps, all told, I have \$3.500 now of assets; then I had perhaps \$2,500. have never wanted for bread. Some-times we have felt in need of more money. Three of the children are now making their own way. Next week the fourth graduates at the high school, having received the same schooling that the others have had, and will begin to look out for himself.

"I shall not necessarily be at any more expense on account of my children, and the diary properly ends now. Would I be willing to go through the same experience again of rearing a family? I asked my companion, who had borne the greater part, this question, and I know that she spoke with a heart full of love, but was compeled to say: 'Not for all that money could buy would I go through again what has been necessary to rear a family.'

"Expressed in dollars, the totals are thoso: In 26 years we have received from my wages and incidental moneys that came through my wife and the children, \$40,900-or say \$40,000-be-sides the amount of increase in the permanent assets. Given a plant of about \$3,000 and two employes, a man and wife, it has taken therefore about \$10,-000 to each man produced. This of course includes all employes' expenses. The plant is slightly enhanced in value, but the employes have seen their best days. The quality of the goods is yet to be demonstrated. Prospects happily point to cessation of labor and an increase of recipts, but there is no certainty about this. The employes are proud of their work, but don't want another job.

"Some of the Items of expense have been these: Dectors' bills (27 years), \$2,100 (and all paid, probably the only instance on record); groceries, average per week first five years, \$7; next three, \$9; remainder of the 26 years, \$13 a week. For 10 years it has taken on an average one pair of shoes per week for the family, including myself and wife. The most annoying thing I have ever known is the rapidity with which children wear out shees. Only one thing appreaches it—the high price of chil-dren's shoes. I never could understand how, with all the civilization of the age, and the demand for cheaper results, children's shoes have not been reduced in price. The human shee is a failure. No man not rich can afford to buy shoes for a family, and if I had it to do I would go to Timbuctoo, where neither horses, mules, camels nor mon aro shod."-Indianapolis News.

A VERY WICKED WIFE.

Sho Tried to Put Her Hasband in un Insano Asylum, But Pailed.

The Viestnik of Riga reports that early in June there arrived in Riga Dr. L., with his wife, from St. Petersburg. The doctor was of feeble health, and by the advice of his wife intended to spend the summer in Marionhoffer, in Du-belna. The pair stopped at a hotel in Riga. Mrs. L., who has an old widowed sister in that city, very often absented herself from the hotel. Every now and then she tried to draw the hotel waiter into her confidence, and to persuade him to testify that her husband was noisy, and that he treated her badly. But the waiter would not, since he had never noticed such deportment on the part of the doctor. One day she came in a carriage to the hotel accompanied by a stranger, whom she introduced to her husband as an old friend, who would take them for a drive in the suburbs. The doctor refused to take a drive. The stranger made a sign in the window, and two strong men appeared, who wanted to take him forcibly to the carriage. At the noise that ensued the proprietor of the hotel came in with two of his clerk a. The stranger told him that he was the superintendent of an insane asylum, and that he had come to take the demented doctor into custody. But he was not allowed to do this. Notice was sent the police headquarters. A captain and two men soon appeared, and instead of the poor doctor his scheming wife and the superintendent of the insane asylum were arrested. On examination was found that the doctor was perfeetly sane, and that his wife and sisterin-law were planning to put him in an insane asylum with a view of getting possession of his property. The most curious feature of the story is that the wife of the doctor is an elderly woman, and had lived with her husband over forty years, and had always been treated with great consideration. Even now the doctor refuses to prosecute her, and for her sake he refused to make a complaint against her accomplice, the superintendent of the asylum.

Bare-Legged Highlanders. digitland soldiers, so famous in Scot-

dsh chivalry, are among the most prized of Her Majesty's army. Their uniforms are quaint and striking. knees and a coesiderable portion of the legs are entirely bare, and they seem quite comfortable even when other men are shivering in pantaloons and overcoats. They say that when they are off on furloughs and for decency's sake wear pants, they find them very disagreeable and cumbersome. A regiment of these Highlanders now occupies Belfast and is frequently seen on the streets. I was told that when it was first stationed there the Irish boys and gils made fun of the Scotch laddies with bare legs and kilts, but when the riots broke out they found that the Highlanders were warriors true knew how to dispearse a mob.-Cor. Pittaburg Press.

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